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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This Amendment After Final is responsive to the final Official Action mailed June 7, 2004 (hereinafter Final Official Action). Applicants respectfully request entry of the present claim amendments as placing the claims in condition for allowance, or alternatively as placing the claims in better condition for appeal and narrowing the issues for further consideration on appeal. No new issues are raised by the present claim amendments. Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance in view of the amendments and remarks herein.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper, which are not otherwise covered by checks submitted herewith, may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.